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Westland police adopt body cams

Religious leaders, city officials and police officers along with Mayor William R. Wild, third from left, listen to Westland Police Chief Jeff Jedrusik, right, explain the benefits of body mounted cameras for police.

Interaction with Westland police officers will now include a video record of the meeting as all officers will be wearing new body cameras while answering calls for service.

Westland Police Chief Jeff Jedrusik recently explained that officers have been wearing the devices for about three weeks during a press conference at Westland City Hall recently.

"The implementation of body cameras being deployed on all patrolman is yet another major investment that the City of Westland has made into Westland Police Department," said Jedrusik.

"A program like this does not just benefit the police department but will benefit the Westland Community as a whole," he added.

In attendance were elected officials, members of the business community, administrators from the Wayne Westland Schools, religious leaders and members of the Westland community.

"The Westland Police Department is always looking for tools that not only advance technology, but further the department's ability to serve the community. Citing the implementation of vehicle dashboard cameras," Jedrusik said. He recalled the Westland Police Department being one of the first to deploy that technology. While dashboard camera technology has significantly advanced, the Westland Police Department believes they can do better, he added.

"Prior to our body-worn camera program, our officers were only able to capture video evidence that occurred directly in front of the patrol car," explained Jedrusik. "These videos often do not tell an entire story, or they may show view that is much different from what the investigating police officers saw."

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Special guest

Members of the Plymouth Noon Rotary Club greeted the new District 6400 governor with a special tribute last week as he made his first "official" visit to the club. Plymouth City Manager Paul Sincock, front row, center, a decades-long member of the Rotary Club, was elected to the prestigious governor's post recently and as part of his official duties, will attempt to visit each club in the 6400 Rotary district. Sincock's well-known affection for all things Mickey Mouse was celebrated by his home club members who donned Mickey and Minnie ears to celebrate his election to the post and his official visit.

The sound of the season

Salvation Army Corps Red Kettle campaign begins throughout area

Julie Brown
Staff Writer

Volunteer Red Kettle Bell Ringers will be on the streets this month as the annual Salvation Army fundraising effort begins.

The Salvation Army Corps in western Wayne County is gearing up for the Christmas season, and is looking for help. Volunteer bell ringers are needed, with details online at www.ringbell.org.

Volunteers can select the date, time and community where they would like to ring the famous bell seeking donations for the Red Kettle campaign. Click "Begin Search" then select a location, along with the preferred volunteer shift, and click "Reserve." A confirmation will be sent by email, with instructions and a date reminder.

"Volunteers are where we bring in money," said Envoy Jim Hulett of the Wayne-Westland Corps, which also serves Romulus, Inkster, and New Boston.

Hulett said children and teens are welcome bell-ringers but need adult supervision. For his corps, groups like the National Honor Society chapters at Westland John Glenn and Wayne Memorial high schools volunteer at Christmas.

This year, the Salvation Army fundraising goal for metro Detroit is $8.2 million. Leaders emphasize critical social services, such as more than 622,000 nights of shelter, Yule gifts for more than 105,000 children and seniors, after-school and character building programs and more.

"When you put money in the red kettle, it's not just for Christmas," said Hulett. "We do a lot of youth programs," including the Echo Grove Camp offering overnight camping for needy youth.

"I think people will appreciate we're waiting to ring" after Thanksgiving, said Maj. Colette Bailey, who helms the Plymouth Corps with her husband. "We just have to depend on the Lord to fill in for us."

Bailey notes unlike many other Salvation Army Corps, "Most of ours are volunteer" bell-ringers. She appreciates business groups including Ford Motor Co., families, Rotarians, Kiwanians and others who volunteer.

"Not only with their money but with their time. People volunteer and they teach their children to volunteer," she said of volunteers, noting her own

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Canton - Inkster

Join in

Inkster seniors enjoy wide range of programs, events and trips

Julie Brown
Staff Writer

Seniors in the City of Inkster have a wealth of activities to choose from at the Dozier Recreation Complex where they meet from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m. on Thursdays to play cards, bingo, dominoes, and socialize with members of the Friendship Club.

The local seniors participate in workshops and field trips as well, and in 2017 went to Zingerman's Road House in Ann Arbor to share a meal, also dined at Detroit's Traffic Jam & Snug restaurant, and even visited the Morley Candy business.

Denise Champagne is the program director of the Inkster Commission on Aging, which is governed by a board of commissioners. She's been with the city since 1974.

"Everybody's welcome. We don't have many men that get involved," she said. "We'd like to change that," and are working to establish a Men's Club.

Tickets go on sale Nov. 15 for the Dec. 3 Inkster Seniors Christmas Party, a perennial popular offering. It will start at 11:30 a.m. on Dec. 3 at the Recreation Complex, 2025 Middlebelt Road.

"It's a well-attended one," Champagne said. Most of the Inkster seniors live on their own and drive themselves to the Dozier Recreation Complex. While there is no separate senior center building in Inkster, children and teens are in school during the daytime which frees up space for the seniors.

"I think we're probably one of the best-kept secrets in the city," said Champagne. She said daytime programs help, as, "a lot of them don't want to drive after dark. That's definitely a hindrance for them." They do attend in evenings if they have transportation.

Champagne notes transportation within a 7-mile radius for seniors via 12-passenger bus on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. The Dozier complex recently got a smaller van, not equipped for handicapped people, but able to transport a few seniors short distances at a time.

There is an every second Thursday Breakfast Club at Applewood Coney Island and other short treks for which transportation is available. "They have the ability to come and go."

She's proud too of the Tuesday shopping center transit for seniors, and of senior fitness program in cooperation with The Senior Alliance and the National Kidney Foundation of Michigan as partners. The Senior Alliance helps to fund the program while the National Kidney Foundation helps in running fitness classes.

Inkster seniors sew quilts for Inkster Police to carry in squad cars to give to victims and children. "They'll give them a quilt to comfort them," Champagne said of police calls.

The Inkster senior sewers can't do clothing repairs, she said. That group has dubbed itself the "Sewing Sisters" as they help police and residents with needle and thread.

Two drivers transport home-delivered meals for Inkster seniors Monday through Friday. Those folks are helped by a Saints Inc. organization with a van that helps mentally and physically challenged people.

The Saints staff drives that van for meals, Champagne said, getting help from the challenged people to complete the tasks.

Details are on the City of Inkster website, www.cityofinkster.com. The Commission on Aging phone number for Inkster is (313) 561-2382 or (313) 561-2650. Champagne's email is dchampagne@cityofinkster.com.

Services provided enable those 55 years of age and older to remain independent.

"I've done probably every job but drive the big bus," the veteran program director said. "I started as a secretary," and took over when her predecessor passed away.

"The exercise program, that's probably one of our most successful. The type of services they look for has changed," she said of the baby boomers.

Senior Services has computer classes at the Dozier Recreation Complex. Champagne's pleased this year sewing and computer classes are up and running, and the Commission on Aging is using focus groups to help make senior programs user-friendly and relevant.

She's pleased with "brain games" offered to keep seniors mentally engaged. Studies have shown socializing and even reading can boost seniors' memory and cognitive abilities.

A Sip and Paint art event has been offered, and the seniors partner on a bake sale with the Inkster Police Department four times a year. That raised in 2017 some $2,000 to buy a popcorn machine and snow-cone machine for community movie nights.

"It helps to fund other community programs for the children," said Champagne, noting the Police Department staff weighs in on bake sale proceeds uses.

A newsletter offers program information in more detail for the Inkster Seniors.

Salute to Service is set

Canton Township will once again honor area servicemen and servicewomen who have served and who are currently serving in the armed forces in a special "Salute to Service" ceremony which will begin 7 p.m. Sunday, Nov.11 at The Village Theater at Cherry Hill.

Doors open for this special community event will at 6 p.m. for military displays and reception. The mainstage presentation is scheduled to begin at 7 p.m.

This year, the distinguished keynote speaker is Brigadier General Carol Ann Fausone, who received her commission in 1977 in the United States Air Force as a medical officer after graduating from college.

Fausone served on active duty in various nursing staff positions and transfer in late 1981, to the Michigan Air National Guard. From 2003-2011, she served as the Assistant Adjutant General for Veterans Affairs in the State of Michigan.

After 36 years of service, she continues to nationally assist veterans.

The Canton Salute to Service program will also feature musical tributes sung by the Workman Elementary Choir, under the direction of Keri L. Mueller.

In addition to the formal presentation, items for service men and women will be collected by the Michigan Military Moms, including individual size or travel size: disposable hand and foot warmers; foot and body powder; Q-tips; beef jerky; hot chocolate mix; wipes; granola/power bars; and monetary donations to offset postage. All items must be small enough to fit a 12-inch by 12-inch by 8-inch U.S. Mail Priority box.

The public is encouraged to attend this free event - no tickets are required, all ages are welcome to attend.

The Village Theater at Cherry Hill is located at 50400 Cherry Hill Road in Canton.

For more information about this free event, call (734) 394-5300 or visit www.cantonvillagetheater.org.

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BELLEVILLE - ROMULUS

Wobble Gobble

2nd Annual Turkey Trot set in Romulus

For the second consecutive year, a gaggle of costumed runners is expected on the streets of Romulus.

The second annual Wobble Gobble Turkey Trot is set to begin at 5:50, Wednesday, Nov. 21, as runners take off to complete the .7 K trot to benefit the efforts of the Romulus Goodfellows No Child Without a Christmas campaign.

Entry fee for the race, during which holiday turkey attire is encouraged, is $20 per entry which includes two drink tickets. Participants can pick up their event packet beginning at 4:30 p.m. at Artisan Reserve Inc. 36542 Goddard Road. The trot this year will take participants down Goddard Road at Sterling Street to Walter's Bar at 37452 Huron River Dr. Organizers said there will be plenty of parking available at either location with a shuttle service available until 6:30 p.m.

Included in the Thanksgiving Eve celebration will be raffles, live music, contests and prizes. Tickets can be purchased online at eventbrite or cash entry fees will be accepted at the Community Development Department office in Romulus City Hall, 11111 Wayne Road. For more information about the Wobble Wobble Turkey Trot, call (734) 942-7545.

The entry fee must be paid to the Romulus Goodfellows, a 501 c 3 non-profit organization.

Last year, the Romulus Goodfellows were able to provide food baskets and gift cards to 196 qualifying Romulus senior citizens and toiletries, gift cards for food and toys to more than 130 Romulus families, including 297 children.

Organizers said that this year, the need is expected to be greater and donations are desperately needed. The group opted not to publish the annual newspaper, traditionally their largest fundraiser, this year, due to escalating newsprint and printing costs.

While the Wobble Gobble Turkey Trot will help, the group still needs to collect funds to help those in need in the city.

"We guarantee that your entire donation goes directly to helping the less fortunate," organizers said. "Please consider making a financial donation again this year to the 2018 Romulus Goodfellows No Child Without a Christmas campaign."

The organization needs to collect several thousand dollars to meet the goal this year to provide for the children and seniors in the community in need of help during the holiday season.

To contribute, send a check payable to Romulus Goodfellows, Inc. to Romulus Goodfellows, Inc., P.O. Box 74035, Romulus, MI, 48174. For more information about the Goodfellows, call (734)955-4577.

Applications for annual Festival of Trees available

The Belleville Area Museum (BAM) will host the Belle Noelle Festival of Trees through Dec. 21.

Community organizations, individuals, and businesses can display decorated trees or wreaths at the museum and the event has become a focal point of the tri-community holiday celebration. This year the festival of trees portion of the celebration will continue from Tuesday, Nov. 22 through Wednesday, Dec. 21.

Each entry should have a cultural or historical holiday theme or one that is representative of the organization entering the tree or wreath. Past themes have included an old-fashioned Christmas, Santa's, gingerbread men, peppermints, patriotic - red, white and blue, etc.

Entries can be submitted in one of three categories: a floor-size artificial tree; a tabletop artificial tree no taller than 3 feet or an artificial wreath which must have a sturdy wire attached for hanging.

All entries must have lights and entrants must supply their own long extension cord labeled with entrant's name.

Entries should include the artificial tree, a tree stand, lights, decorations, tree skirt, and a decorative sign that displays the name of the entrant. In addition to displaying a tree, the museum offers the option of donating a fully-decorated tree for auction. The Silent Tree Auction has proven to be an excellent way to raise money for museum sponsored programs and events. This year, the auction will continue from Nov. 17 through Dec. 19. Trees will be available for pick up beginning that day at 7 p.m. Those interested in participating in the silent auction, should contact the museum at (734) 697-1944 or via email at kdallos@provide.net.

All entries in the tree display must be received by Wednesday, Nov. 14.

For more information, please contact the museum at (734) 697-1944. The museum is located at 405 Main St. in Belleville, MI 48111.

Annual Lighted Holiday Parade set in Belleville

Applications are now being accepted for the Winter Fest Light Parade set for 6 p.m. Dec. 1 throughout downtown Belleville.

The annual event which is the official beginning of Winter Fest is organized by the Belleville Area Chamber of Commerce.

The theme this year is Songs of the Season.

Line up for parade participants will begin at 3:30 p.m. and judging of the entries will take place at 5.

Organizers from the chamber explained that violations of any of the strict rules for parade entrants could result in exclusion from the parade and any future parades.

The rules require that all entries be decorated with working lights and that vehicle headlights be covered as those can distract other participants and the judges. Music accompanying entries is, however, encouraged and welcome.

A minimum of 1,000 lights is suggested and those can be clear or colored lights. Entries will be evaluated on theme and use of lights.

Organizers cautions that entries must be in good taste and should not be inappropriate or not in the best interest of the parade. Each entry should be identified with signs of banners with the organization or entrant's name so spectators and the parade announcer can identify the entry.

Those planning to enter equestrian or animal units must provide their own accompanying clean-up personnel and equipment.

No Santa or Mrs. Claus will be allowed as the "real" Santa and his wife will be appearing at the First United Methodist Church after the parade to greet children and distribute stockings.

Walking entries must carry lights or have a trailer with lights and walkers should have flashlight or pins that light up their clothing.

Generators for the floats should be hidden from sight and confined to an area to eliminate noise.

Entry forms are available at the Belleville Area Chamber of Commence, 248 Main St. in Belleville. For information, call (734) 697-7151.

Charter Township of Canton Board Proceedings – October 30, 2018

A regular study session meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton was held Tuesday, October 30, 2018 at 1150 Canton Center S., Canton, Michigan. Supervisor Williams called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. Motion by Foster, supported by Anthony to appoint Treasurer Slavens as temporary Clerk. Motion carried by all members present. **Roll Call** Members Present: Anthony, Foster, Graham-Hudak, Siegrist (arrived 7:40p.m.), Slavens, Williams Members Absent: Sneideman Staff Present: Director Hohenberger, Director Faas, Director Meier, Director Trumbull DD – Fire – Stoecklein, DD – Police-Baugh, Deputy Chief Fire-Strassner; Deputy Chief Police-Wilsher, Barb Caruso, Bob Belair, Bill Serchak, Jeff Goulet, Rob Creamer, Jon LaFever, Brad Sharp, Carolyn Cox, Jeanette Aiello **Adoption of Agenda** Motion by Foster, supported by Anthony to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried by all members present. **STUDY SESSION: TOPIC 1: 2019 Budget Adjustment/Budget Final Review** Director Trumbull reviewed the adjustments made to the 2019 Budget and covered the Budget Final Review. Trumbull covered the capital projects the township will be undertaking in 2019. A complete copy of the PowerPoint presentation is available through the Township Clerk's Office, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton MI 48188 during regular business hours or by calling 734-394-5120. **TOPCI 2: 2020 Preliminary Budget Summary/Preliminary Budget Detail** PowerPoints for Public Safety, Municipal Services, and Leisure Services 2020 Budgets were presented. Director Meier presented Public Safety's Budget. Director Faas presented Municipal Services Budget, and Director Hohenberger presented Leisure Services Budget. A complete copies of the PowerPoint presentations are available through the Township Clerk's Office, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton MI 48188 during regular business hours or by calling 734-394-5120. Director Trumbull reviewed the expected Technology expenses for the township. She also covered the rest of the township's expected general budgetary needs for 2019 and 2020 including the new roads fund, proposed 2019 Fund Balance, Fire Fund Balance for 2019 and 2020, and the General Fund. **ADDITIONAL PUBLIC COMMENT:** None **OTHER:** None **ADJOURN:** Motion by Anthony, supported by Foster to adjourn at 8:30 p.m. Motion carried by all members present.

_____Michael A. Siegrist, Clerk _____Pat Williams, Supervisor

Copies of the complete text of the Board Minutes are available at the Clerk's office of the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Rd, Canton, MI 48188, 734-394- 5120, during regular business hours or be accessed through our web site www.canton-mi.org after Board Approval.

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The Charter Township of Canton will provide necessary, reasonable auxiliary aids and services to individuals with disabilities at the meeting/hearing upon notice to the Charter Township of Canton.

In accordance with the requirements of Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 ("ADA"), the Charter Township of Canton will not discriminate against qualified individuals with disabilities on the basis of disability in its services, programs, or activities.

Employment: The Charter Township of Canton does not discriminate on the basis of disability in its hiring or employment practices and complies with all regulations promulgated by the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission under Title II of the ADA.

Effective Communication: The Charter Township of Canton will generally, upon request, provide appropriate aids and services leading to effective communication for qualified persons with disabilities so they can participate equally in the Charter Township of Canton's programs, services, and activities, including qualified sign language interpreters, documents in Braille, and other ways of making information and communications accessible to people who have speech, hearing, or vision impairments.

Modifications to Policies and Procedures: The Charter Township of Canton will make all reasonable modifications to policies and programs to ensure that people with disabilities have an equal opportunity to enjoy all of its programs, services, and activities. For example, individuals with service animals are welcomed in the Charter Township of Canton's offices, even where pets are generally prohibited.

Anyone who requires an auxiliary aid or service for effective communication, or a modification of policies or procedures to participate in a program, service, or activity of the Charter Township of Canton should contact the office of Barb Brouillette, Human Resources Coordinator, Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, MI 48188, (734) 394-5260 as soon as possible but no later than 48 hours before the scheduled event.

The ADA does not require the Charter Township of Canton to take any action that would fundamentally alter the nature of its programs or services, or impose an undue financial or administrative burden.

Complaints that a program, service, or activity of the Charter Township of Canton is not accessible to persons with disabilities should be directed to Barb Brouillette, Human Resources Coordinator, Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, MI 48188, (734) 394-5260.

The Charter Township of Canton will not place a surcharge on a particular individual with a disability or any group of individuals with disabilities to cover the cost of providing auxiliary aids/services or reasonable modifications of policy, such as retrieving items from locations that are open to the public but are not accessible to persons who use wheelchairs.

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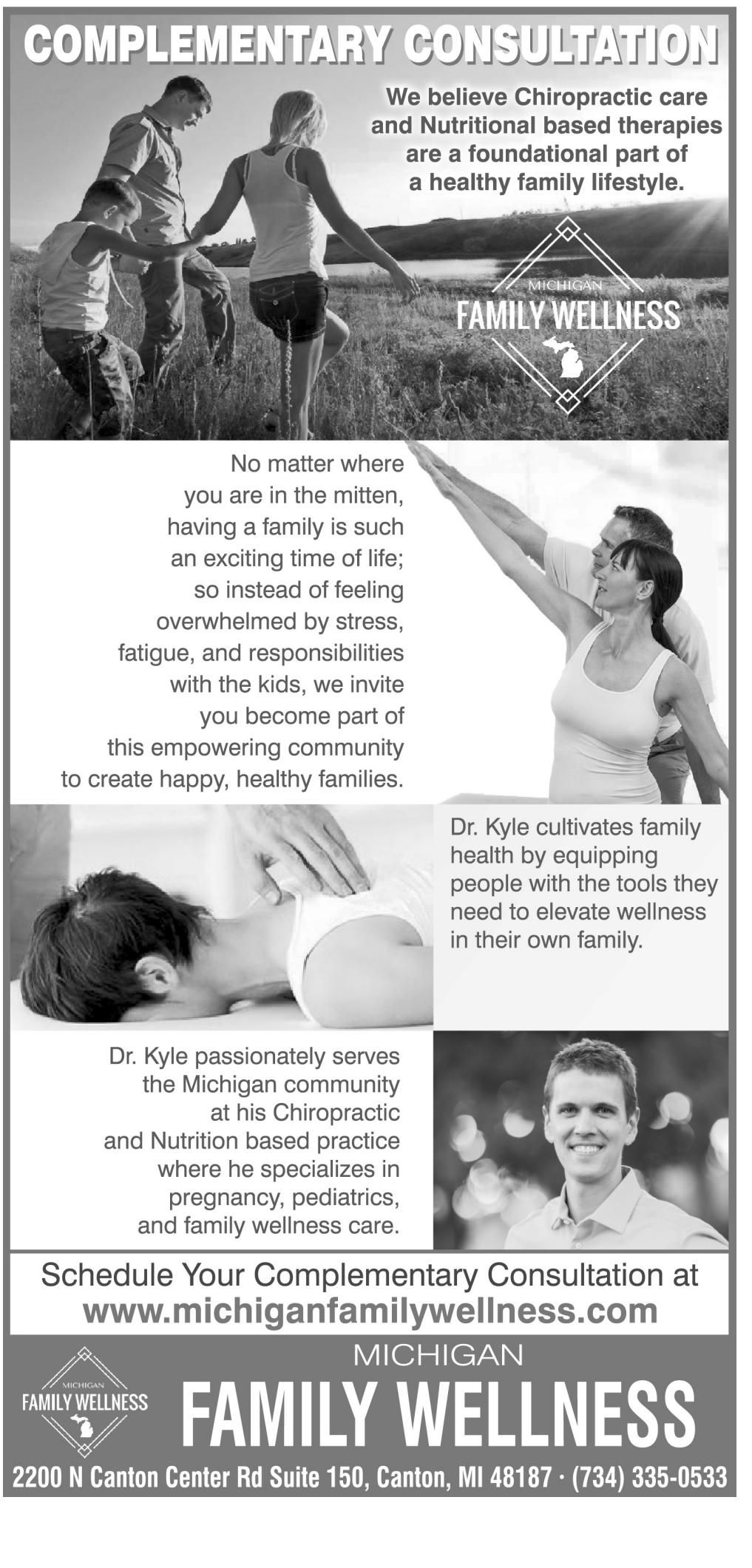
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Wayne - Westland

Historic Wayne Theater introduces heated seating

Movie goers in Wayne can now enjoy the luxury of heated, reclining seats as they enjoy the latest in first-run movies at the historic Phoenix State-Wayne Theater.

A Phoenix Theatre spokesman noted that the installation of the heated recliners in every seat of the chain's three theatre buildings in Michigan - which totals 24 screens, was completed only a week or so ago.

"It's just another 'first' that Phoenix Theatres has brought to the Michigan movie-going scene," he said.

Each reclining seat features an adjustable three-setting heating function that will allow the customer to personally set the desired temperature of the seat. This new heated innovation coupled with the reclining seats and more than 6-feet of legroom insure comfort while enjoying a film, he added. "The new heated seating arrangement makes Phoenix Theatres the only theatre to offer 100 percent heated reclining chairs with footrests in Michigan - all in the effort to provide the best in customer comfort," he said.

The State Theater was first operated by the Shafer family in 1946 for Wayne Amusements. It was located a few yards away from the Wayne Theatre which it was meant to replace. The State Wayne Theater was originally a single-screen theater, later carved into four screens, when National Amusements operated the facility. When the city of Wayne took over the theater, they removed two existing storefronts and filled them in for restrooms at the movie house. As part of the agreement when the city took over the State Wayne Theaters from National Amusements, they could not show first run movies, only sub-run. By 2012 it was operated by Phoenix Theatres and in 2015 was playing first run movies while Phoenix continues to make improvements at the building.

"We first introduced reclining seats in our theatres in 2014 and the ability to personally adjust the temperature of your seat offers an entirely new level of comfort," said Phoenix Theatres owner Cory Jacobson. "The customers have taught us a great deal about what they want to experience on their entertainment leisure time and amenities that provide 'living-room comfort' are at the top of the list."

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"Our new heated recliners provide each person with the ability to adjust the temperature level while watching a film and does wonders to soothe and relax you while enjoying a film." said Tearis Reid, Phoenix Theatres vice-president of operations. "We really want people to enjoy a movie as if they were relaxing in their living-room and I find a heated back is about the most relaxing experience we could ever find to include in our theatres."

Visitors to either www.Phoenix movies.net or www.Movie tickets.com can purchase tickets weeks in advance, so they can secure tickets for the latest block-buster hits without waiting in line.

Phoenix Theatres opened its first Michigan theater in 2001 and currently operates 10 screens at Laurel Park Place in Livonia, 10 screens at The Mall of Monroe in Monroe, four screens at State Wayne in Wayne and six screens in Dubuque, Iowa. For more information, visit www.phoenixmovies.net

Special Veterans Day celebration set in Westland

Members of the Westland Veterans Association will host a special ceremony at 2 p.m. on Sunday, Nov. 11, which is Veterans Day, a federal holiday dedicated to honoring those who have served in the U.S. Armed Forces.

The ceremony will take place at the Veterans Memorial Garden which is located behind the Westland Library, 6123 Central City Parkway. The special commemorative service is open to the public.

All city offices will be closed on Monday, Nov. 12 in observance of Veterans Day on Sunday. Westland City Hall and the 18th District Court will be closed although trash and recycling pick-up in the city will not be affected.

In another effort to help veterans, the Wayne-Ford Civic League will be partnering with local elected officials again this year to ensure veterans in need and active duty families have a proper holiday meal. Veterans living in Westland who may be in need are urged by organizers of the effort to call the office of Mayor William R. Wild to register for their meal. Meals will be dispersed from 10 a.m. until 1 p.m. on Saturday, Nov.17 at the Wayne Ford Civic League. Those looking to participate must register by Thursday, Nov. 14.

Participants can choose between a 16-20 pound turkey or a 10-12 pound ham, and all meals will include stuffing, mashed potatoes and gravy, sweet potatoes, corn, green beans, cranberry sauce, and heat and serve rolls for a family of six to eight people.

The mayor's office phone is (734) 467-3200.

Police

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This inadvertent omission proved to be problematic as judges, juries, and even the public were only able to see bits and pieces of the police officers' interactions. For this reason, the department had been thoroughly researching a new method in which the whole story could be captured, Jedrusik explained.

The city will pay $493,817 over five years for the 81 cameras, 60 replacement Tasers, accessories, service and two opportunities to replace the cameras purchased from Axon, a company from Scottsdale, AZ specializing in weapons and information technology for law enforcement. Part of the expense will be offset by a grant from Michigan Municipal Risk Management Authority, which insures the city against legal claims.

"For the past two years the Westland Police Department has been researching a body-worn camera program that fit best with our department's needs and capabilities," said Jedrusik. "I want to thank the mayor and city council for making the financial investment into our police department. The technological benefits and capabilities of this program are tremendous."

With the Axon body cameras, uniformed officers will be able to: capture video evidence inside of homes, businesses, parks, and schools; provide a high definition up close view as seen by the officer; assist the police department in creating training scenarios; provide video evidence to prosecutors, judges and juries; provide useful information to the media and reduce civil liability

"Perhaps even more importantly, the department will be able to use the new body cam program to build and continue to maintain community trust, transparency and accountability. The Westland Police Department is aware that many citizens throughout the county have lost trust and/or confidence in their local law enforcement agencies," the chief said.

"There have been some bad officers out there who have hurt the reputation of the hundreds of thousands of good, hard working and dedicated men and women of public safety who risk their lives every day to protect and serve their communities," said Jedrusik.

"The body camera program will allow the Westland Police Department to continue to maintain the trust of the community, the confidence in their agency and their ability to maintain complete transparency, while protecting our officers as well," commented Mayor William R. Wild.

Local woman killed

Police have determined that alcohol or drugs were not a factor in the death of Klivja Caci, 25, of Westland in an rollover vehicle accident last Tuesday.

The accident took place at about 6:34 p.m. on eastbound I-96 just west of Newburgh Road, according to a report from the Livonia Police Department.

Police investigators determined that Caci was alone in her vehicle as she attempted to exit eastbound I-96 at Newburgh. Investigators said it appeared she lost control of the vehicle, causing it to leave the exit ramp and roll over several times before stopping in the eastbound lanes of I-96.

Police said Caci sustained fatal injuries in the crash.

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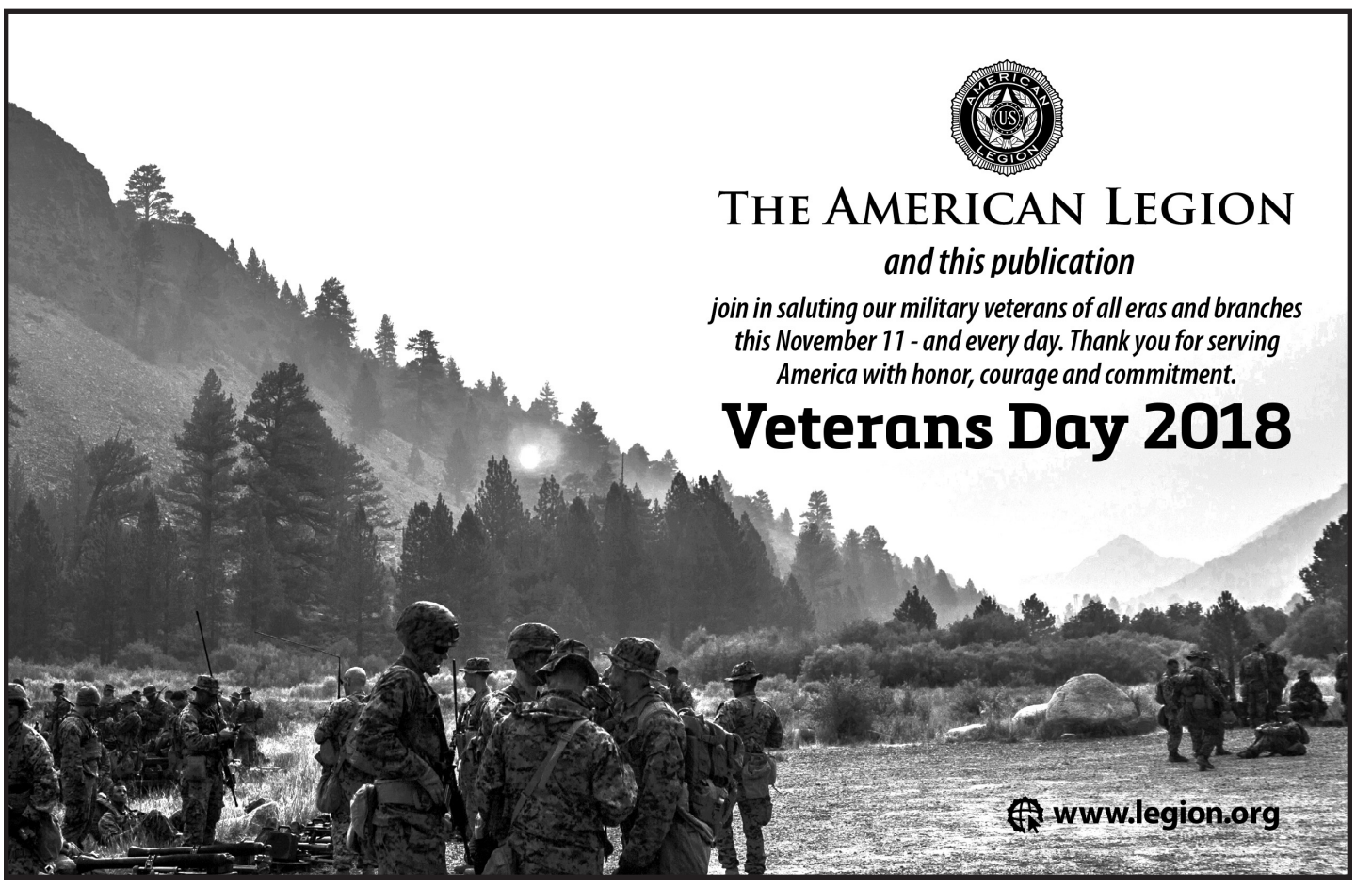
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2 graduate from public service command school

Northville Township celebrated the graduations of two public safety officers last month.

Fire Department Lt. Jason Hendrian graduated from the Eastern Michigan University School of Fire Staff and Command.

Police Sgt. Dan Jones graduated from the Police Staff and Command School also at Eastern Michigan University.

Hendrian has worked for the Northville Township Fire Department since 2002. He was promoted to the rank of lieutenant in 2017. That same year he completed his bachelor's degree from Siena Heights University and will begin pursuing his masters degree this winter.

Hendrian has served as a mentor for new probationary members, assisting in their successful completion of the department probationary program. He is one of the original members of the Western Wayne County Urban Search and Rescue Team (USAR) and was also a member of the Michigan Task Force 1 USAR team, serving as a medical specialist. He currently serves as the chairman of the Health and Safety Committee and is an advocate for health and wellness within the department.

Jones began his career with the Northville Township Police Department in June 2007. While serving with the Northville Township Police Department, Jones has been assigned to the Wayne County Special Operations Team, Michigan State Police Western Wayne Narcotics Team, and the Drug Enforcement Administration. During his tenure as a patrol officer and detective, Jones has been responsible for training officers within his department in a wide range of disciplines. Starting in 2008, Jones has served as an instructor at the Wayne County Regional Police Academy. In April, 2017, he was promoted to his current rank of sergeant. Jones is currently a shift supervisor assigned to the patrol division.

Jones earned a bachelor of science degree in criminal justice from Eastern Michigan University. He went on to attend the Wayne County Regional Police Academy and graduated in 2007.

The Eastern Michigan University Staff and Command School and the School of Fire Staff and Command are intensive programs each consisting of 350 hours of classroom instruction over 10 months geared towards public safety management. The schools each have a reputation for excellence and are supported by quality instructors and public safety management professionals.

Lt. Jason Hadrian

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Annual Foundation Home Tour tickets on sale

Tickets are now on sale for the 2018 Northville Holiday Home Tour, presented by the Northville Community Foundation.

This year, the Holiday Home Tour will take place from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. Friday and Saturday, Nov. 16 and 17.

Visitors at the Holiday Home Tour can enjoy touring five beautiful, privately-owned Northville homes that have been decorated top to bottom for the holidays. The style of each home is different and there truly is something for every taste, organizers said. With homes ranging from a 10,000 square foot log cabin to a 160-year-old Victorian home, this year the tour offers some early decorating inspiration. One outstanding home has a two-story rock fireplace, natural slate floors and a gourmet kitchen. Another is a 1929 English Tudor revival with stained glass windows and original chandeliers. These homes are gorgeous on their own but add holiday décor they become even more stunning, a spokesman said.

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The 2018 Holiday Home Tour will also feature a refreshment stop at the Tipping Point Theatre in downtown Northville. Guests can enjoy light refreshments and also enter to win two tickets to a future Tipping Point Theatre production.

Tickets for the 2018 Holiday Home Tour are $25 in advance and $30 the day of the event. To purchase tickets in advance, visit Pear-Aphernalia, Gardenviews, Haven of Northville, or the Northville Chamber of Commerce. Tickets may also be purchased online by visiting www.northvillecommunityfoundation.org or by phone by calling (248)374-0200. Tickets are limited and the tour does sell out nearly every year.

Proceeds from the Holiday Home Tour help fund the work of the Northville Community Foundation in the community. The Northville Community Foundation operates Maybury Farm, a working farm with a mission to connect the community to animals and agriculture through hands-on experiences that are both engaging and educational. The foundation also annually awards scholarships to local students and grants to nonprofit organizations serving Northville and the surrounding communities.

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Preschool classes to be offered at PARC

The new year will bring a new enrichment program for preschool children at the Plymouth Arts and Recreation Complex (PARC).

The classes will be collaboration of the PARC and the Plymouth Family YMCA and will offer a comprehensive schedule of classes for preschool children ages 3 to 5 years. Classes include art, dance, swimming, sports, music, theater and others, officials said.

"Each of these classes play a large role in the overall development of a young mind and active body. The goal of the program is to inspire children through exposure in which the simplest of activities can instill creativity, confidence, and critical thinking," explained YMCA Executive Director Sage Hegdal.

"This is a great opportunity to partner with the high-quality arts, education, and recreation organizations located at PARC. We look forward to many more opportunities for this type of collaboration in the future," Hegdal added.

All classes will be offered at PARC, located at 650 Church St. in Plymouth. Classes will be taught by instructors from the YMCA and other participating PARC organizations including PARC Aquatics, Eden Arts Cooperative, Artistry Dance, Arts Detroit, and Z Spot Fitness. Classes will be offered Monday-Friday during the morning hours. A complete schedule of classes including days, times, and registration information will be available on the YMCA website, www.ymcadetroit/plymouth, beginning the first week of November.

To introduce the program to the community, an Open House is planned from 10 a.m until noon at PARC on Tuesday, Dec. 4. Parents are encouraged to bring their children and experience everything the program has to offer.

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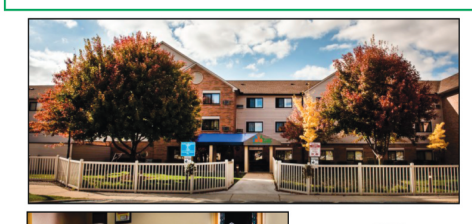
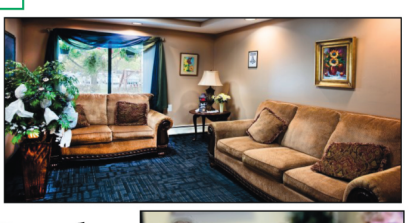

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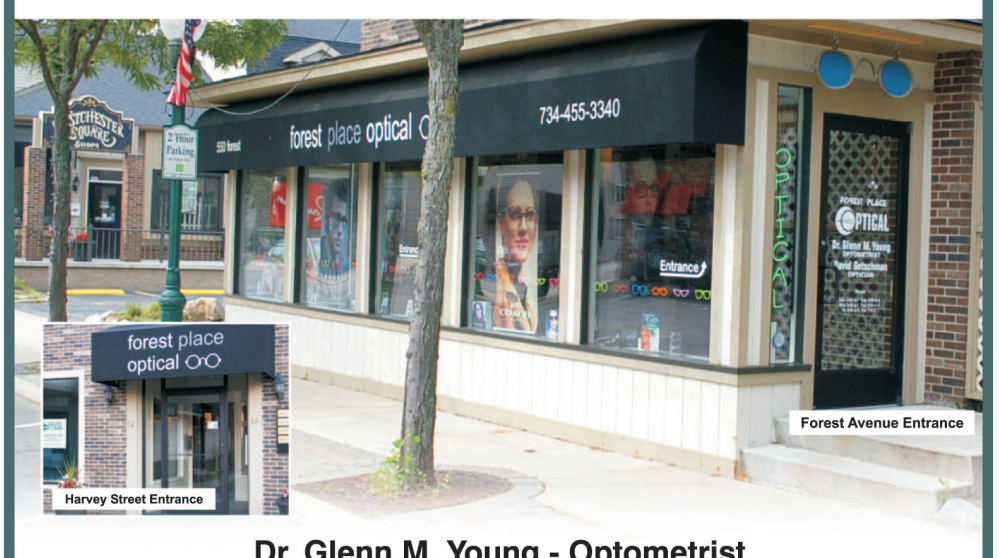

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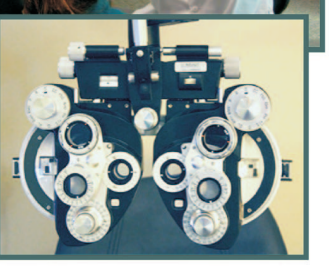

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Calendar of events

Donations for veterans' holiday meals sought

Westland Mayor William R. Wild, State Rep. Robert Kosowski and Vic Barra, president of the Wayne Ford Civic League are leading the fifth annual drive to provide Thanksgiving meals for veterans' and active-duty military families who may be in need..

Donations can be made in support of these efforts online by visiting the Wayne Ford Civic League Facebook page or in person at the Wayne Ford Civic League, located at 1661 N. Wayne Road. Donations can also be dropped off at Wild's office, located inside Westland City Hall at 36300 Warren Road.

Westland veterans should call the office of Wild or Kosowski to register for their meal. Meals will be dispersed from 10 a.m. until 1 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 17 at the Wayne Ford Civic League. Those looking to participate must register by Thursday, Nov. 14.

Special arrangements or delivery options are available for families that may need assistance if requested when the family registers at one of the offices.

To register for the holiday meal, call Wild's office at (734)467-3200 or Kosowski's office at (517) 373-2576.

City hall exhibits artwork

Members of the Three Cities Art Club will exhibit art at the Westland Gallery at City Hall through Nov. 29. The Gallery is located in the west wing, to the left when entering Westland City Hall, 36300 Warren Road.

The gallery is open during regular city hall office hours.

The exhibition will include original works done in watercolor, oil, acrylic, pencil, charcoal, pastel, airbrush, and photography. This is a free event and everyone is welcome. Purchase original art starting at $75. For further information, contact Marilyn Meredith at (313) 231-3939 or email marilynmeredith@wowway.com.

Cash For College Raffle under way

The Northville Educational Foundation will host the drawing for $25,000 cash to use toward future tuition, current tuition or payment of student loans on Nov. 16.

Tickets for the raffle are now on sale at supportNEF.org and are priced at $50 each or three for $100. There will be a maximum of 1,500 tickets sold. If tickets sales total less than $50,000, the prize will revert to a 50-50 drawing.

The announcement of the winner will be made during the annual Holiday Tree Lighting Ceremony in downtown Northville.

Church members serve spaghetti

Members of St. John's Episcopal Church will host a Spaghetti Dinner tomorrow night as a fundraiser for church program.

The meals will be served from 5-7 p.m. tomorrow, Nov. 9, and include pasta and sauce, salad, bread, dessert and a drink. Adult meals are priced at $10 and meals for children ages 12 and younger are priced at $4. Those 3 and younger eat at no cost with the purchase of an adult dinner.

The church is located at 555 South Wayne Road in Westland.

For more information, call (734) 721-5023.

Henry Ford security is topic

Harry Bennett and Henry Ford's Private Security Force will be the topic at the Wayne Historical Society meeting beginning at 7 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 8.

The speaker will be Anthony Rzuciolo.

The meeting will take place at the Wayne Historical Museum, located at Wayne Road, Main Street and Biddle. The program is open to the public. Tours of the museum will be available and refreshments will be served.

Donations will be accepted and appreciated.

Senator hosts free movie

State Senator Hoon-Yung Hopgood will host a free movie and coffee hour on Friday, Nov 9. Hopgood's 4th Annual Free Veterans Day Movie Event will take place beginning at 12:30 p.m. Nov. 9 at MJR Westland Grand Cinema 16. The film will be Bohemian Rhapsody (PG-13), based on the story of Queen, their music and the struggles and legacy of lead singer Freddie Mercury.

MJR Westland is located at 6800 North Wayne Road in Westland.

Tickets are limited to two per veteran and available on a first-come, first served basis. An RSVP is required and available by calling Hopgood's office at (517) 373-7800 or by emailing senhhopgood@senate.michigan.gov or by visiting facebook.com/SenHopgood.

Hopgood is also hosting a Coffee Hour at 3 p.m. Nov. 9 at Romulus House Restaurant, 9110 Wayne Road, Romulus, MI 48174. The coffee hour will provide an opportunity for citizens to meet with Hopgood and discuss current events in Lansing and the local district.

Tree Lighting and Red Kettle Kickoff event is planned

The Plymouth Downtown Development Authority and the Salvation Army will host the Main Street Tree Lighting and Salvation Army Red Kettle Kick Off at 6:30 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 9 in Kellogg Park.

There will be free hot chocolate from E.G. Nick's and Gordon Food Service, cookies from Community Financial and entertainment by the Plymouth Canton Educational Park Choir and the Salvation Army Band. The tree lighting ceremony will begin at 7 p.m.

Visitors are asked to bring toys and nonperishable food items for donation to the Salvation Army for a chance to win gift certificates from downtown merchants.

The first 100 guests will receive a free gift.

For details and more information, visit DowntownPlymouth.org

Harvest Tea is served

The Wayne Public Library will serve a Harvest Tea at 1 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 10. The event is a fundraiser for the library.

The menu will include sandwiches, treats and tea along with a raffle of gift baskets.

The event will be catered by Victoria's Tea Salon. Tickets are $35 for an individual or $210 for a table of seven. Tickets are available for purchase at the library circulation desk. This event is expected to sell out so early purchase is recommended by organizers.

The Harvest Tea will be served at the library, 3737 South Wayne Road in Wayne.

Purse and Jewelry sale

Gently used purses and jewelry will be for sale from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 10 at the Friendship Station, 42375 Schoolcraft Road, just east of Northville Road.

The sale is hosted by the Plymouth Community Council on Aging and all sales will help support the Plymouth Community Council on Aging.

Genealogists to meet

The Northville Genealogical Society members will meet to discuss Hidden Hints of Ancestry.com beginning at 1:15 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 11 at the Northville District Library, 212 West Cady St. in Northville.

The roundtable discussion is open to the public and Grace Wilfong will offer hints about the use of Ancestry.com

There will be a business meeting at 2:30 p.m. followed by Judy Pfaff, J.W. Dolph, Boy Soldier and Family Historian at 3 p.m. Pfaff will present her family history book and share her techniques for processing the information and putting into book form including a discussion of Photoshop and other tools.

The meeting is open to the public.

Santa mailbox at Summit

Canton Leisure Services has made special arrangements with the U.S. Post Office to deliver children's wish lists to Santa.

To mail a letter to Santa, drop it in the North Pole Express Mailbox in the Summit on the Park lobby through Nov. 30. Santa asks that children print their name and address clearly so he may reply to your letter.

Each household will receive a return letter and Santa will take care of the postage.

Canton residents only please.

For more information, call (734) 394-5460.

Red Kettle

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Plymouth Noon Rotary volunteer-driven chicken dinner at Plymouth Fall Festival. The noon Rotary club members and the Kiwanis members have an ongoing rivalry to see which club can collect the most donations during the season.

The Salvation Army also helps with legal issue resolution through the William Booth Legal Aid Clinic. Booth and his wife Catherine founded The Salvation Army in 1865 in the United Kingdom.

Residents can help The Salvation Army this holiday season by: Donating to a red kettle; Texting SALMICH to 41444; Visiting www.salmich.org; or calling 877-SAL-MICH.

Both the Plymouth Corps, which serves Northville, Plymouth, Canton and Belleville, and Wayne-Westland have volunteer coordinator staffers who can assist with signup as a bell-ringer, or to sign up for help with food, utility payments, family gifts or other help.

The Plymouth Corps is at 9451 S. Main St., south of Ann Arbor Road in Plymouth, (734) 453-5464. The Wayne-Westland Corps is at 2300 S. Venoy Road, south of Palmer Road in Westland, and can be reached at (734) 722-3660.

Plymouth Corps residents in need, can contact Sandra Kollinger, Sandra_Kollinger@usc.salvationarmy.org, their volunteer and special events coordinator. Needy Plymouth-area residents can also call Kollinger during business hours to set up an appointment, Bailey said.

Volunteer bell-ringers will hit shopping areas the day after Thanksgiving to man red kettles, and continue daily except Sundays through Christmas Eve. The Salvation Army doesn't collect at kettles on Sundays, both to offer family time to bell-ringers and for religious reasons.

Some paid bell-ringers are also hired each year to help in fundraising.

This year, you can also "Ring for Bling" as a volunteer bell-ringer, completing a two-hour shift for the chance to win a diamond necklace valued at more than $6,000. Learn more and register at www.ringbell.org.

Monday, Dec. 17, is the Wayne-Westland Salvation Army Corps distribution date during which toys and food packages will be distributed. Recipients will need to show financial need beforehand, with both the Plymouth and Wayne-Westland corps having staff and volunteers working on that effort.

The Plymouth Corps has set distribution dates at the Main Street location for Dec. 14, Dec. 17 and Dec. 18, with the last date food-only. Bailey said she appreciates Plymouth-Canton Educational Park National Honor Society teens who set up the toy shop.

"They come and help us set it up, which is really neat," she said, noting adults assist and keep teens off their cell phones. "They do a good job," Bailey said of the teens.

She agrees some people she meets are surprised at basic needs. "And there are many. Need doesn't have a location," said Bailey who with co-workers sees the need for help in Plymouth and Northville.

"When you go out to speak, I think people are surprised," at the need, Bailey added. She praised Kollinger for signing up volunteers, as well as Kollinger's predecessors and community residents/groups.

"It's just incredible. We've never seen anything like it," Bailey noted.

"It will balance itself out," noting loss of some business sponsors with other smaller ones stepping in to help. "So it's getting there," noted Gladys Beach, Wayne-Westland case worker.

Patricia Meacham is the volunteer coordinator at the Wayne-Westland Corps.

The Salvation Army offers "Adopt a Family" efforts which joins families for the holidays, one to buy items like children's outfits, a coat and toy or two, for another in need. For details, contact the Salvation Army Corps at the numbers listed above.

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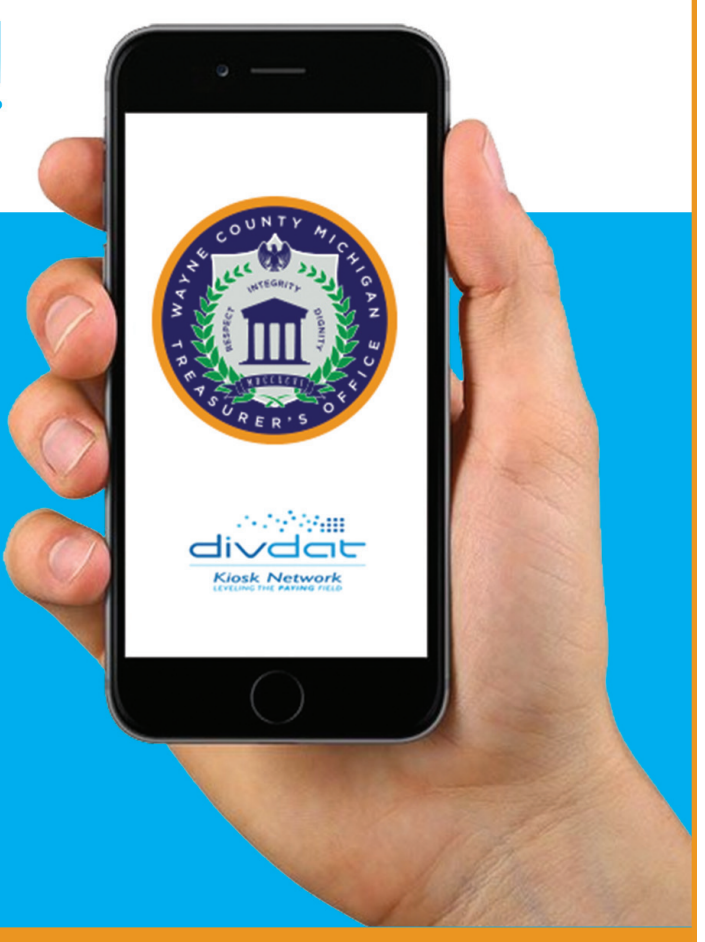

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